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## Pennsylvania 2010 Vegetable Production

HARRISBURG, PA, Jan 28, 2011 - Pennsylvania's vegetable farmers harvested 14,100 acres of sweet corn for fresh market in 2010 with production totaling 945,000 cwt. or 67 cwt. per acre, according to the Pennsylvania field office of USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS). This is 3 percent less than the 2009 production for fresh market. Average value of fresh market sweet corn was \$28.30 per cwt.

Nationally, 247,200 acres of sweet corn were harvested for fresh market in 2010 and 338,300 acres were harvested for processing. Fresh market production totaled 29.1 million cwt. which was 118 cwt. per acre and was valued at \$25.70 per cwt. Processing production totaled 2.69 million tons in 2010 with an average value of \$89.70 per ton. Forty-six percent of the processing production was utilized for canning and 54 percent was for freezing.

Pennsylvania's 2010 fresh market tomato production was estimated at 253,000 cwt., down 12 percent from 2009. Area harvested was 2,300 acres, 600 acres more than a year ago, and yield was 110 cwt. per acre. The average value was \$84.00 per cwt.

United States' production of fresh market tomatoes was 28.9 million cwt. in 2010, a 13 percent decrease from 2009. Area harvested was 104,500 acres with an average yield of 277 cwt. per acre. Average value of tomatoes for fresh market was \$48.10 per cwt.

In Pennsylvania, 11,400 acres of snap beans were harvested for processing in 2010, this was 4,400 acres more than a year ago, and 700 acres more than 2008. Total production was 31,360 tons with an average value of \$272.00 per ton, compared with an average value of \$256.00 per ton last year.

At the U.S. level, 194,460 acres of snap beans were harvested for processing in 2010. Total production decreased from 816,440 tons in 2009, to 768,300 tons in 2010. Canning utilized 512,960 tons or 67 percent of the production. Average value decreased from \$191.00 per ton in 2009 to \$186.00 in 2010.

Pennsylvania's 2010 strawberry production, harvested from 1,100 acres for fresh market and processing was 56,000 cwt., down 14 percent from 2009. Average value per cwt. was \$207.00, compared with \$208.00 per cwt. in 2009. The U.S. strawberry production in 2010 was 28.5 million cwt., up 1.7 percent from 2009. Acreage harvested was 56,990; the average value per cwt. was \$78.80, up from \$76.00 a year ago.

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Pennsylvania's 2010 fresh market cabbage production was estimated at 396,000 cwt., up from the 264,000 cwt. produced last year. Area harvested was 1,200 acres, unchanged from both 2008 and 2009. The average yield was 330 cwt. per acre, up from the average yield of 220 cwt. per acre last year. The average value was \$15.00 per cwt., compared to \$18.90 per cwt. in 2009. Nationally, 66,400 acres of cabbage were harvested for fresh market in 2010. Fresh market production totaled 22.8 million cwt. or 343 cwt. per acre with an average value of \$16.90 per cwt.

Pennsylvania's cantaloup production for fresh market was 145,000 cwt., down from the 153,000 cwt. produced in 2009. Total area harvested was 1000 acres, up from 900 acres last year, with an average yield of 145 cwt. per acre, down from last year's average yield of 170 cwt. The average value per cwt. was \$24.30 in 2010, compared with \$28.00 in 2009. U.S. fresh market cantaloup production totaled 18.8 million cwt. in 2010 with an average value of \$16.70 per cwt. There were 74,730 acres harvested.

Pennsylvania's 2010 fresh market and processed pumpkin production was estimated at 972,000 cwt., up from 819,000 cwt. in 2009, but below the 1,240,000 cwt. produced in 2008. Area harvested was 6,700 acres, up 400 acres from a year ago. The average value was \$17.00 per cwt., up from the \$15.50 per cwt. average in 2009. Nationally, 48,500 acres of pumpkins were harvested for fresh market and processing in 2010. Total production was 10.62 million cwt, with a value of \$11.00 per cwt., for a total value of \$116.5 million.

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